- by the thirty-ninth (39th) general assembly and approved March 18, 1921, as appears in the enrolled bill now on file in the office of the secretary of state, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the period (.) in the eighth (8) line from the end of section two (2) and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon (;) and by adding after said 8
- semicolon (;) the following:
 "provided, further, such five year limitation shall not apply to estates or beneficiaries embraced in paragraph 'b' of section four (4) 9 10 of this act, in cases where decedent died prior to the taking effect of 11 this act.". 12
- SEC. 4. Repeal. That the law as it appears in said House File 2 No. 280 be further amended by striking out section seventeen (17) 3
- 1 SEC. 5. Publication clause. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force and take effect from and after its 2 3 passage and publication in the Des Moines Register and Des Moines Capital, newspapers published in the city of Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 8, A. D. 1921.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Register April 12, 1921, and in the Des Moines Capital April 11, 1921. W. C. RAMSAY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 165

SUPREME COURT REPORTS

H. F. 853.

AN ACT to amend section two hundred twenty-four-d (224-d), supplemental supplement to the code, 1915 (C. C. Sec. 169), relating to the delivery of copies of reports of decisions of the supreme court to the secretary of state, and the payment therefor.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Publishing reports—state to buy copies. That section two hundred twenty-four-d (224-d), supplemental supplement to the code, 1915 (C. C. Sec. 169), be and the same is hereby amended 3 by striking out the first sentence of said section and inserting in lieu .4 5

thereof the following: "The supreme court reports shall be published under contract en-6 tered into in the name of the state of Iowa under such terms, stipulations and conditions as a majority of the judges of the supreme court, acting through the chief justice, shall prescribe. Said judges shall also consider and determine the number of copies of each volume 7 8 9 10 11 of said reports to be delivered to the secretary of state, for the use of 12 the state, and which number shall not exceed three hundred fifty (350). The secretary of state shall certify to the auditor of state the number of said volumes received by him, and the contract price at **1**3 14 15 which said reports are to be furnished, as per said contract entered into by the supreme court and the publishers, and the state auditor shall thereupon issue warrants for the payment of all copies of said 16 17 reports so certified. The secretary shall also certify to the auditor 18

19 the number of said volumes received since July 1, 1920, and warrants

20 shall issue and be paid in same manner, as above provided.

- Appropriation. Sufficient sums are hereby appropriated SEC. 2. for the payment of said warrants out of the funds of the state not 2 3 otherwise appropriated.
- This act being deemed of immedi-1 Publication clause. 2 ate importance shall take effect from and after its publication in the 3 Des Moines News and the Des Moines Capital, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 8, A. D. 1921.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines News April 9, 1921, and in the Des Moines Capital April 8, 1921.

W. C. RAMSAY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 166

SOLDIERS' PREFERENCE LAW

H. F. 855.

AN ACT to repeal sections ten hundred fifty-six-a fifteen and ten hundred fifty-six-a sixteen (1056-a15 and 1056-a16), supplement to the code, 1913 (C. C. Secs. 678 and 679), and to enact substitutes therefor, relating to the preference in the appointment and promotion of soldiers, sailors, and marines, to include army, navy, and marine corps nurses, and certain persons who served in the Spanish-American war, the Philippine Insurrection, the China Relief Expedition, and the war with Germany.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Repeal. That sections ten hundred fifty-six-a fifteen 2 and ten hundred fifty-six-a sixteen (1056-a15 and 1056-a16), supplement to the code, 1913, (C. C. Secs. 678 and 679), pertaining to preference in appointment of soldiers and sailors be hereby repealed, 3 and the following be enacted in lieu thereof.
- SEC. 2. Preference in appointments, employment and promotion -mandamus. In every public department and upon all public works in the state of Iowa, and of the counties, cities, towns, and school 2 boards thereof, honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, marines, and nurses from the army and navy of the United States in the late Civil 3 war, Spanish-American war, Philippine insurrection, China relief expedition, and war with Germany, who are citizens and residents of the state, shall be entitled to preference in appointment, employment and promotion over other persons of equal qualifications, except in the position of school teachers, and the property of the provided and the preferred to the position of school teachers, and the preferred to 6 8 9 10 shall not be disqualified from holding any position hereinbefore men-1.1 tioned on account of their age, or by reason of any physical disability, provided such age or disability does not render him or her incompe-12 13 tent to properly perform the duties of the position applied for, and 14 when such soldier, sailor, marine or nurse shall apply for appoint-15 ment or employment under this chapter, the officer, board or person whose duty it is or may be to appoint or employ some person to fill 16 17 such position or place shall, before appointing or employing anyone 18 to fill such position or place, make an investigation as to the quali-

fications of said soldier, sailor, marine or nurse for such place or posi-